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Re: Applicant(s): Vargas, Jaime et al.
Assignee: Cardica, Inc.
Title: Method for Sutureless Connection of Blood Vessels
Serial No.: 10/665,170
Examiner: Not yet assigned
Docket No.: 144
Filed: 9/18/03
Group Art Unit: 3731

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) This Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Information Disclosure Statement;
- (3) PTO form 1449; and
- (4) Return postcard.


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Sir:

In compliance with the Applicant's duty under 37 CFR § 1.56, the information listed on the accompanying form PTO-1449 is brought to the attention of the Examiner. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.98 (d) and MPEP 609(I)(A)(2), copies of the references listed on the form PTO-1449 and explanations of relevance of any non-English-language references are not included, because these references and explanations have been submitted in the parent application, U.S. Patent Application serial no. 09/664,589, of which this application is a continuation under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

This IDS is believed to be timely in that it is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(b), and thus no petition or fee is required.

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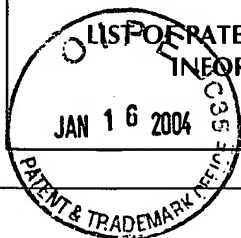
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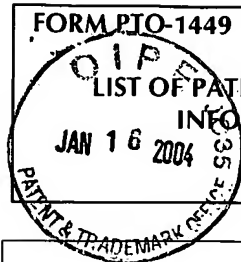
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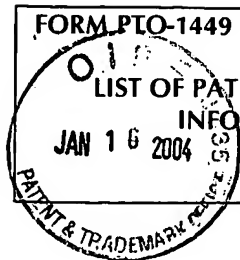
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